



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO.: 10/063,786) Group Art Unit:
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FOR: METHOD, SYSTEM AND COMPUTER) Examiner:
PRODUCT FOR DISPLAYING AXIAL IMAGES) Wang, Jin Cheng

BOX Amendment
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131

William D. Doan, Toan T. Le, Brian C. Frake, and Robert H. Armstrong declare and say that:

1. We are the inventors of the invention claimed in the above-identified patent application.

2. We conceived in the United States the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified patent application prior to October 8, 2001 and worked diligently reducing the invention to practice in the United States prior to October 8, 2001.

3. As evidence in support of this prior conception and reduction to practice, submitted herewith is the following evidence of activity done in the United States.

(a) Exhibit A is a copy of an invention disclosure, prepared by myself on October 8, 2001 including notes that show conception of the invention. Exhibit A clearly discloses a method for displaying axial images, the method comprising: receiving a reconstructed axial image, wherein said reconstructed axial image includes a pre-selected number of completed reconstructed slices, a slice thickness and an interval value; creating a reformatted axial image in response to said reconstructed axial image, wherein said creating includes: modifying said slice thickness in response to user slice thickness


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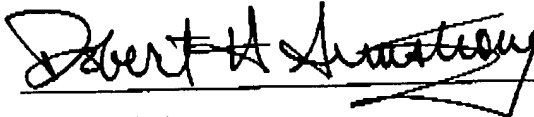
(b) With respect to reduction to practice, the invention shown in FIG. 2 of this application is shown in Exhibit A was diligently, actually reduced to practice. Thus, this actual reduction to practice occurred prior to October 8, 2001.

4. The undersigned declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 101 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

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